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Northwest Region Potato Stocks on December 1, 2015 Totaled 163 Million Hundredweight

Potato stocks in Idaho on December 1, 2015 totaled 90.0 million cwt. Disappearance of the Idaho crop to date was 40.3 million cwt. December 1 potato stocks in Oregon totaled 17.0 million cwt. Disappearance to date was 4.78 million cwt. In Washington, December 1 potato stocks totaled 56.0 million cwt. Disappearance to date totaled 44.3 million cwt. Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 265 million cwt of potatoes in storage. Potatoes in storage accounted for 66 percent of the fall storage States' production. Potato disappearance totaled 138 million cwt. Season-to-date shrink and loss totaled 12.9 million cwt.

To December 1, 2015, processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon have used 26.9 million cwt of potatoes. In Washington and other Oregon counties, 34.0 million cwt of potatoes have been used by processors. Processors in the 9 major States have used 75.1 million cwt of potatoes this season. Dehydrating usage accounted for 12.2 million cwt of the total processed.

Fall Potato Production and Stocks — 13 Major States: December 1, 2014-2015

[Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2014 totaled 26.1 million cwt]

		Crop of 2014		Crop of 2015			
State	Production	Stocks Production December 1, 2014		Production	Stocks December 1, 2015	December stocks as a percent of production	
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(percent)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(percent)	
California	3,901	2,500	64	3,720	1,900	51	
Colorado	23,196	17,200	74	22,677	16,400	72	
Idaho	132,880	95,000	71 79	130,320	90,000	69	
Maine	14,645	11,600	60	16,002	12,500	78 62	
MichiganMinnesota	15,725 16,400	9,400 10,000	61	17,550 18,480	10,900 12,500	68	
	3,616	3,500	97	3,379	3,200	95	
Montana	3,010	3,300	91	3,379	3,200	95	
Nebraska	7,943	4,800	60	6,636	4,000	60	
New York	4,345	2,100	48	4,817	2,200	46	
North Dakota	23,870	16,900	71	27,200	19,500	72	
Oregon	22,562	17,700	78	21,784	17,000	78	
Washington	101,475	57,000	56	100,300	56,000	56	
Wisconsin	26,240	18,000	69	29,440	18,500	63	
13-State total	396,798	265,700	67	402,305	264,600	66	
Klamath Basin 1	(NA)	5,000	(NA)	(NA)	4,600	(NA)	

(NA) Not available.

¹ Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath County, Oregon.

Quantity of Potatoes Used for Processing — 9 Major States: 2013-2015

[Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the State in which the potatoes were produced]

State and	То	Season						
crop year	December 1	January 1	February 1	March 1	April 1	May 1	June 1	Jeason
	(1,000 cwt)							
Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon								
2013	25,770	32,060	39,090	46,320	53,755	61,780	70,425	85,280
2014	27,685	33,995	40,850	47,985	54,665	63,025	70,600	86,870
2015	26,850							
Maine								
2013	1,570	1,990	2,510	3,060	3,680	4,240	4,800	6,315
2014	1,410	1,845	2,415	2,930	3,475	3,980	4,445	5,622
2015	1,250							
Washington and Oregon, other ¹								
2013	31,575	37,990	45,420	52,690	59,025	64,905	72,325	81,115
2014	31,870	37,190	42,715	50,380	57,340	64,525	72,365	88,615
2015	33,955							
Other States ²								
2013	11,365	14,280	17,470	20,475	23,695	26,990	30,195	37,425
2014	13,705	17,295	20,865	24,685	28,550	32,080	35,415	40,456
2015	13,062							
Total								
2013	70,280	86,320	104,490	122,545	140,155	157,915	177,745	212,244
2014	74,670	90,325	106,845	125,980	144,030	163,610	182,825	221,563
2015	75,117							
Dehydrated ³								
2013	12,065	15,875	19,835	23,380	27,140	31,095	34,895	44,700
2014	13,045	16,325	19,965	23,645	26,345	31,515	35,490	46,340
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¹ Oregon excluding Malheur County.

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² Other States include Colorado, Minnesota, Nevada, North Dakota, and Wisconsin. Estimates for 2015 crop no longer include Nevada.

³ Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Includes Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Oregon, and Washington.